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1. REFTEL QUOTES OPERATIVE PART OF G-77 RESOLUTION ON INTEGRATED PROGRAM, WHICH TOGETHER WITH UNACCEPTABLE PREAMBLE WILL POSE MAJOR NEGOTIATING PROBLEM FOR GROUP B. PARTS A AND B OF RESOLUTION WOULD CONSTITUTE ENDORSEMENT IN PRINCIPLE OF IP WHICH GROUP B WITH EXCEPTION OF NETHERLANDS NOT PREPARED TO GIVE BUT WHICH MAY ALSO BE ACCEPTABLE WITH MINOR MODIFICATIONS TO BELGIANS, FRENCH AND NORDICS.

2. ATTEMPTS TO DEVELOP GROUP B DRAFT OF RESOLUTION OF IP HAVE

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SO FAR BEEN FRUSTRATED BY WIDE GAP BETWEEN POSITIONS OF NETHER-

LANDS AND FRG DELS WHICH ARE AT OPPOSITE ENDS OF U.S. POSITION AND BY OTHER DIVISIONS WITHIN EC GROUP. GROUP B DISCUSSION SO FAR RESULTED IN UNAGREED DRAFT QUOTED IN SUBSEQUENT TEL WHICH WILL BE CONSIDERED FURTHER IN LIGHT OF G-77 DRAFT JUST RECEIVED. THRUST OF THIS APPROACH WILL BE TO MOVE AHEAD WITH CONSIDERATION AND EXAMINATION OF IP PROPOSAL ON URGENT BASIS WITHOUT COMMITMENT IN PRINCIPLE UNTIL FEASIBILITY MORE CLEARLY ESTABLISHED OR DISPROVEN THROUGH CLOSER EXAMINATION OF COMPONENT PARTS. HOWEVER, SOME GROUP B DELEGATIONS WHICH ARE NOT IN FAVOR OF IP SEEM TO BE WILLING TO LET UNCTAD PROCEED ON BROAD FRONT IN EXPECTATION THAT PROGRAM WILL EVENTUALLY COLLAPSE OF ITS OWN WEIGHT. MORE DETAILED COMMENT WILL FOLLOW AFTER TUESDAY MORNING GROUP B MEETING.

3. CONFERENCE HAS CONCLUDED LACKLUSTER CONSIDERATION OF OTHER AGENDA ITEMS IN PLENARY AND SESSIONAL COMMITTEE. IP AND OTHER RESOLUTIONS TO COME WILL BE TAKEN UP IN CONTACT GROUPS. DALE

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